

STATS OF PHILIPPINES.

TEST CASE TO COME BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT TO-DAY.

It features a judicial settlement of the question. Does the Constitution follow the flag? Another case affecting the standing of Porto Rico.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The Supreme Court calendar for tomorrow contains the first test case in the history of the Republic.

The first case is that of John H. Goetze, who claims a restoration of customs duties collected in New York on an invoice of tobacco shipped from Porto Rico.

Porto Rico is the port of New York a quantity of leaf or filler tobacco, upon which was assessed at 35 cents a pound as filler tobacco not specially provided for.

The importer protested, alleging that the merchandise was not subject to duty, because Porto Rico at the time of the importation was not a foreign country.

The Board of General Appraisers sustained the assessment of duty imposed by the collector upon the merchandise in question.

The other case is that of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Southern District of New York.

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MARRIAGE WHICH IS THE OLDEST.

Both Have Males and the Negro Can't Tell a Fortune for Him.

GENEVA, N. Y., Dec. 16.—Sarah Marks, a farmer who lived near Malheur, has seven miles west of this city.

As he was without children at the time the will was made, now 16, the expression, "eldest son" was inserted to get in some male heirs.

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SHOTBY AND POLICEMAN.

Neighbor Charged with Murder.

Desmond Followed Him Into His House and Put a Bullet in His Head.

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NEGRO MURDERERS ESCAPED.

Both Break into Jail at Night and Kill Two of the Prisoners.

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BOERS SCORE VICTORIES.

Recently Captured 100 Men of Delany's Horse.

Have it Brought the Boer Commandos Captured West of Pretoria. Delany's Horse Divided After the Victory.

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INSANE PATIENT USES A KNIFE. Discharges an Attendant at the St. Lawrence State Hospital at Ogdensburg. ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 16.—J. L. Cummings, an attendant in the St. Lawrence State Hospital at Ogdensburg, was attacked by an insane patient on Thursday and slashed with a knife.

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